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JUNTA REGLAMENTADORA DE TELECOMUNICACIONES DE PUERTO RICO

OFICINA DE LA PRESIDENTA

October 1, 2001

Magalie R. Salas  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Irene Flannery  
Universal Service Administrative Company  
2120 L Street - Suite 600  
Washington, DC 20037

Re: CC Docket 96-45; Telecommunications Regulatory Board  
of Puerto Rico Certification

Dear Ms. Salas and Ms. Flannery,

Pursuant to Section 54.313(a) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission"), 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a), the Telecommunications Regulatory Board of Puerto Rico ("the Board") hereby certifies that Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. and Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp., the currently eligible telecommunications carriers in Puerto Rico, will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. and Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp. have demonstrated they will use the federal support in compliance with Commission rules in sworn statements, with accompanying exhibits, in response to a Board Order of September 13, 2001. Attached are copies of the statements.

Respectfully submitted,

Phoebe Forsythe Isaacs  
Chair

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**COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY BOARD OF PUERTO RICO**

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**Puerto Rico Telephone Company and Centennial  
Puerto Rico License Corp.**

**Case No. JRT-2001-SU-0002**  
**Re: Universal Service  
Certification**

**(Non-Rural Local Exchange Carriers)**

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**SWORN STATEMENT**  
**OF**  
**LOURDES LUCAS**

I, Lourdes Lucas, Secretary, Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp., of legal age, resident of Fair Haven, New Jersey, hereby swear that the following information is true to the best of my knowledge.

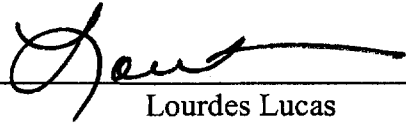
Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp. d/b/a Centennial de Puerto Rico holds a Local Exchange Certification from the Telecommunications Regulatory Board of Puerto Rico (TRB) and has been certified as an Eligible Telecommunications Provider by the TRB.

Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp. is located at Las Vistas Shopping Plaza, #300 Las Cumbres Avenue, Los Paseos, Rio Piedras, PR 00936, P.O. Box 71514, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-8614. The contact person is Jorge Bauermeister, Director Legal and Regulatory Affairs. Mr. Bauermeister can be reached at (787) 717-9614 or via e-mail at [bauermeister@centennialpr.com](mailto:bauermeister@centennialpr.com). The fax number is (787) 641-9696.

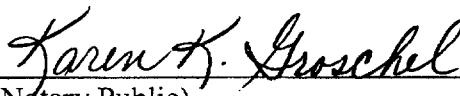
The total amount of universal service support received in 2000 was \$1,493,550.00. The projected support for 2001 is \$7,067,601.00. I have attached as Exhibit 1 the number of lines reported to USAC for 2000 and 2001 per wire center.

The TRB has also requested Forward Looking Economic Costs per wire center. As a non-dominant carrier, Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp. is not required to prepare cost studies. The cost per wire center are derived from the dominant local exchange carrier's costs. Thus, in the case of Puerto Rico, USAC uses the costs submitted by the Puerto Rico Telephone Company to determine the level of support.

Centennial Puerto Rico License Corp. uses the high cost support received via the Federal Universal Service Fund for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of its facilities in order to provide the services for which the support was intended.

  
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Lourdes Lucas

Sworn before me on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 2001 in Wall, New Jersey

  
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(Notary Public)  
(Seal)

**KAREN K. GROSCHER  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 01-16-2005**

**SWORN STATEMENT**

I, **José E. Arroyo Dávila**, of legal age, single, Vice President - Legal and Regulatory Affairs of Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc., and resident of San Juan, Puerto Rico, under the most solemn oath DO SWEAR:

1. That my name and personal circumstances are the above stated.
2. That the address for Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. is the following: PO Box 360998, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-0998.
3. That I am the contact person for purposes of the Universal Service Certification. (telephone number - (787) 793-8441, fax number - (787) 782-9545, e-mail address - [jarroyo@prtc.net](mailto:jarroyo@prtc.net)).
4. That the information contained in Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 which are being filed along with the present Affidavit and a *Motion in Compliance with the Board's Resolution and Order of September 14, 2001*, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
5. That Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. will use the federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.
6. That the above stated is the truth and nothing but the truth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I sign these presents in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, on September 24, 2001.

  
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JOSE E. ARROYO DAVILA

Affidavit No: 750

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO before me by José E. Arroyo Dávila, of the personal circumstances above mentioned, personally known to me in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2001.



  
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NOTARY PUBLIC